

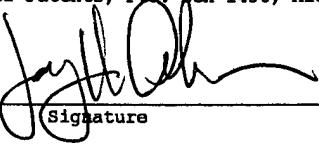
2823

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

July 23, 2003.

Date of Deposit

JAY H. ANDERSON  
Person Making Deposit

  
Signature

23 July 03  
Date



In re Application of:

Docket No. FIS9-2001-0168-US1

TIMOTHY J. DALTON ET AL.

Application No.: 10/053,288'

Examiner: H.M. Lee

Filed: January 17, 2002

Group Art Unit: 2823

For: FINE-PITCH DEVICE LITHOGRAPHY  
USING A SACRIFICIAL HARDMASK

Date: July 23, 2003

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

AUG - 1 2003  
TECHNOLOGY CLUSTER 2800

RECEIVED

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 17	MINUS	** 20	= 0	x \$ 9° \$18	0
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 3	MINUS	*** 3	= 0	x \$42° \$84	0
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims \$140°/\$280						none
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$ 0.00

\* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

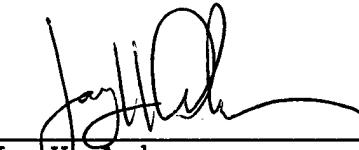
\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

\*\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.



Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

- A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 09-0458. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 09-0458 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 09-0458. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Extension fee for response within \_\_\_\_\_ month is enclosed.
- The Commissioner is authorized to charge the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 09-0458 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p).
- Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone at (845) 894-3667. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the below listed address.



---

Jay H. Anderson  
Attorney for Applicants  
Registration No. 38,371

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION  
Intellectual Property Law Department  
B/300-482  
2070 Route 52  
Hopewell Junction, New York 12533  
Facsimile: (845) 892-6363

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on July 23, 2003.  
Date of Deposit

JAY H. ANDERSON  
Person Making Deposit

Signature

Date



FIS9-2001-0168-US1

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
TIMOTHY J. DALTON ET AL. ) : Examiner: H.M. Lee  
Application No.: 10/053,288 ) : Group Art Unit: 2823  
Filed: January 17, 2002 ) :  
For: FINE-PITCH DEVICE )  
LITHOGRAPHY USING A ) :  
SACRIFICIAL ) :  
HARDMASK : July 23, 2003

The Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED  
AUG - 1 2003  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2003,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows: